

Chemotherapy Information Guide

The purpose of this guide is to help you find information and support on chemotherapy. This guide provides links and references to reliable and current information sources for patients, families, and caregivers.

Many of these materials are available to purchase through online resources, or to borrow at your public library.

Brochures and Fact Sheets

- CancerCare. Understanding and Managing Chemotherapy Side Effects. Available online at: <u>https://media.cancercare.org/publications/original/24-</u> <u>ccc chemo side effects.pdf</u>
- Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. Understanding Side Effects of Drug Therapy. Available online at: <u>https://www.lls.org/sites/default/files/file_assets/PS43_Understanding%20Side</u> %20Effects%20of%20Drug%20Therapy_6_16_reprint.pdf
- National Cancer Institute. Chemotherapy and You: Support for People with Cancer. Available online at: <u>https://www.cancer.gov/publications/patient-education/chemotherapy-and-you.pdf</u>
- National Cancer Institute. Chemotherapy Side Effects Fact Sheets. Available online at: https://www.cancer.gov/cancertopics/coping/physicaleffects/chemo-sideeffects

Books

- Brown, Carlton. **A Patient's Guide to Cancer Symptom Management.** Pittsburgh, PA: Oncology Nursing Society Hygeia Media, 2011.
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Audiovisual Resources

• Chemotherapy Video, an Emmi program

https://www.my-emmi.com/acs/cancer-education.html

Emmi[®] programs help you and your loved ones make sense of vital health information. These multimedia programs explain what to expect before, during and after your procedure or treatment. Emmi Solutions developed these programs with the assistance and expertise of the American Cancer Society.

Web Resources

• Chemocare.com

http://www.chemocare.com/

Comprehensive information on chemotherapy including managing sideeffects, coping strategies, and complementary therapies. The site is presented by Scott Hamilton, and the content is provided by the Cleveland Clinic.

Chemotherapy from the American Cancer Society <u>https://www.cancer.org/treatment/treatments-and-side-effects.html</u>

Links to several pages on the topic including treatment types, a guide to cancer drugs, and physical and emotional side effects of treatment.

• U.S. Food and Drug Administration

https://www.fda.gov/Drugs

Drug information and education about buying and using medicines safely, new drug approvals and tips for parents and seniors.

University of Michigan Resources

• What to Expect: A Guide to Cancer Infusion Therapy

https://www.rogelcancercenter.org/chemotherapy/resources

• Click "A Guide to Cancer Infusion Therapy"

A guide to chemotherapy at the University of Michigan Rogel Cancer Center. It includes advice on preparing for treatment and dealing with practical, social, and medical aspects of chemotherapy treatment.

For Patients taking Oral Chemotherapy Drugs

Brochures

 Cure. A Patient's Guide to Medication Adherence & Financial Support. Available online at: <u>https://www.curetoday.com/publications/cure/2016/medication-adherence</u>

Web Resources

Oral Chemotherapy from the American Cancer Society
<u>https://www.cancer.org/treatment/treatments-and-side-effects/treatment-types/chemotherapy/oral-chemotherapy.html</u>

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